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Some viewers you may need

Microsoft Viewers for Powerpoint - Word - Excel <http://tinyurl.com/2hlzph>

Microsoft Office Compatibility Pack for Word, Excel, and PowerPoint 2007 File Formats. These will have extensions docx pptx and xlsx which you can then open.
<http://tinyurl.com/y5a879>

Latest Adobe Flash Player. <http://www.adobe.com/products/flashplayer/>

Adobe Reader Latest version for your OS. Windows XP SP2 , English
Over 22 megs. Take checkmark out of Google Toolbar if not wanted.
<http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html>

MS has it's own version of Java. If games etc are working ok, then you shouldn't need this.
Download Java 2 Platform - Select the J2SE v 1.4.2_14 download <http://tinyurl.com/g0ff>
 The J2SE Java Runtime Environment (JRE) allows end-users to run Java applications

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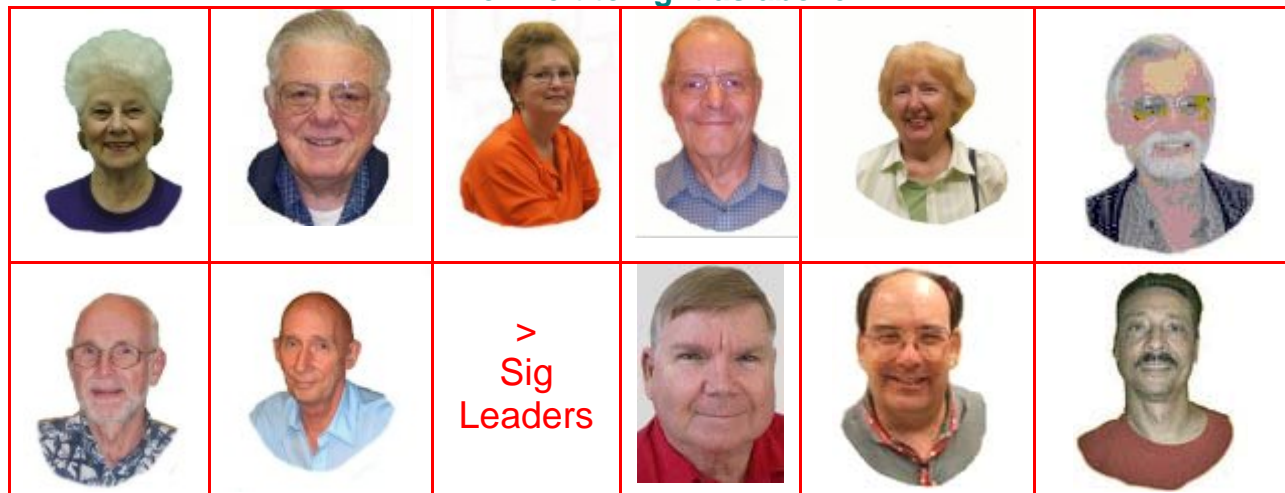
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| See his Games – Pictures – Tips/Downloads and other pages. | |
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Windows Vista

Thinking about a new computer for the holidays? Or upgrading?

Windows Vista Upgrade Advisor

Make sure your computer is ready for the edition of Windows Vista you want.

<http://tinyurl.com/27pek>

Windows Vista: Which Edition Should You Get?

<http://www.helpwithwindows.com/WindowsVista/vista-which-version.html>

Learn about the features of Windows Vista.

There are alphabetical listings under the "Features Explained" on left of page for AC-NE to Ne-WI to choose.

<http://tinyurl.com/3c424y>

See Windows Vista. Demos, Learn.

<http://www.microsoft.com/windows/products/windowsvista/seeit/default.msp>

Customize your Windows Vista Sidebar

<http://gallery.live.com/default.aspx?pl=1>

Windows Vista Tips & Tricks

<http://www.pcmag.com/article2/0%2C1895%2C2088459%2C00.asp>

Windows Vista Help

<http://tinyurl.com/yogt2h>

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<http://www.vistanews.com/>

Windows ReadyBoost

You can use non-volatile flash memory, such as that on a universal serial bus (USB) flash drives, (Thumb drives) to improve performance without having to add additional memory "under the hood."

<http://tinyurl.com/257gf3>

Many books available on Windows Vista in book stores, computer stores etc.

Also, see more info on Thumb Drives.

U3 thumb drives can pose risks to children, computers. From Kim Komando.

<http://www.komando.com/tips/index.aspx?id=4081>

We provide links to guidance on how to find and use drivers (including links to news about the latest drivers for Windows Vista).

<http://technet.microsoft.com:80/en-us/updatesmanagement/bb245829.aspx>

SEQUOIAVIEW 1.3

Darry D Eggleston

Ever wondered why your hard disk is full or what directory is taking up most of the space? When using conventional disk browsing tools, such as Windows Explorer, these questions may be hard to answer.

SequoiaView answers these questions immediately.

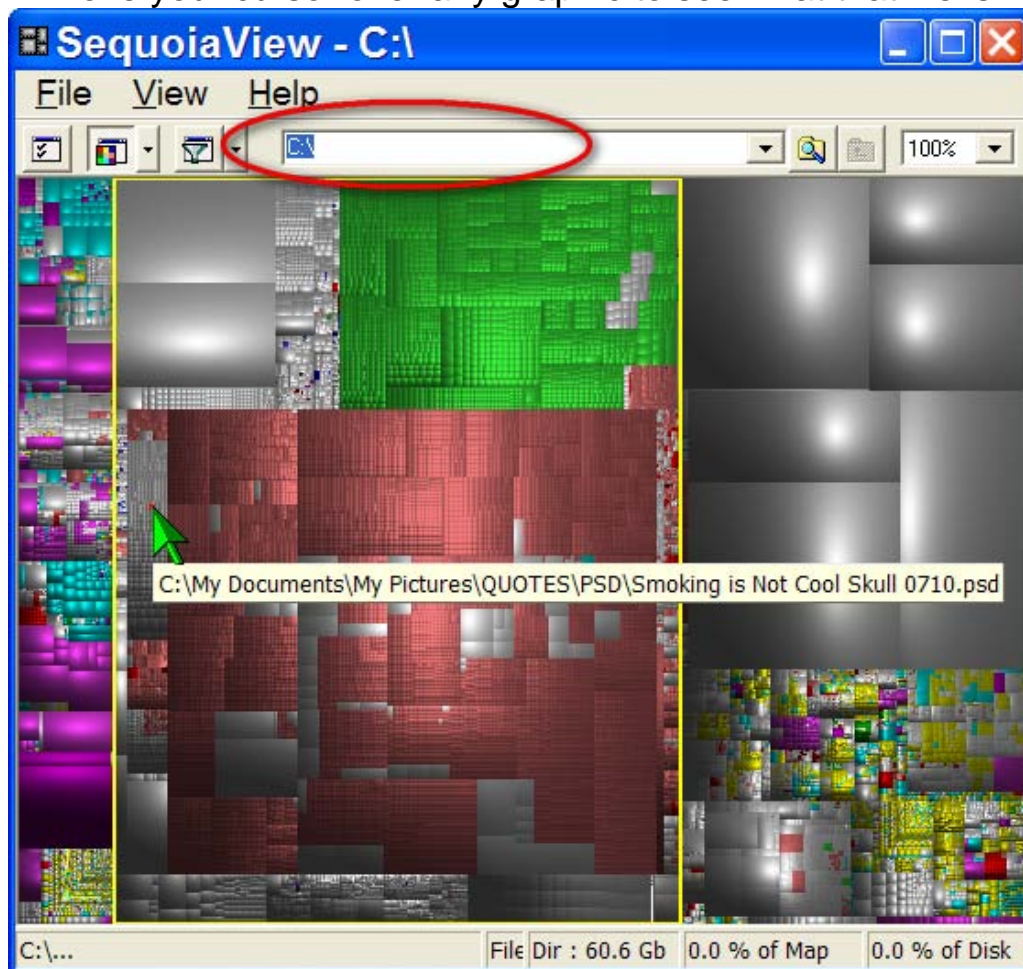
SequoiaView was developed by the Computer Science Department of the Technische Universiteit Eindhoven. It uses visualization to provide a picture of the entire contents of your hard drive.

It can be used to locate large files that you haven't accessed in one year, or to quickly locate the largest picture files on your drive. The screenshot of my hard drive is an example.

A note from Darry D:

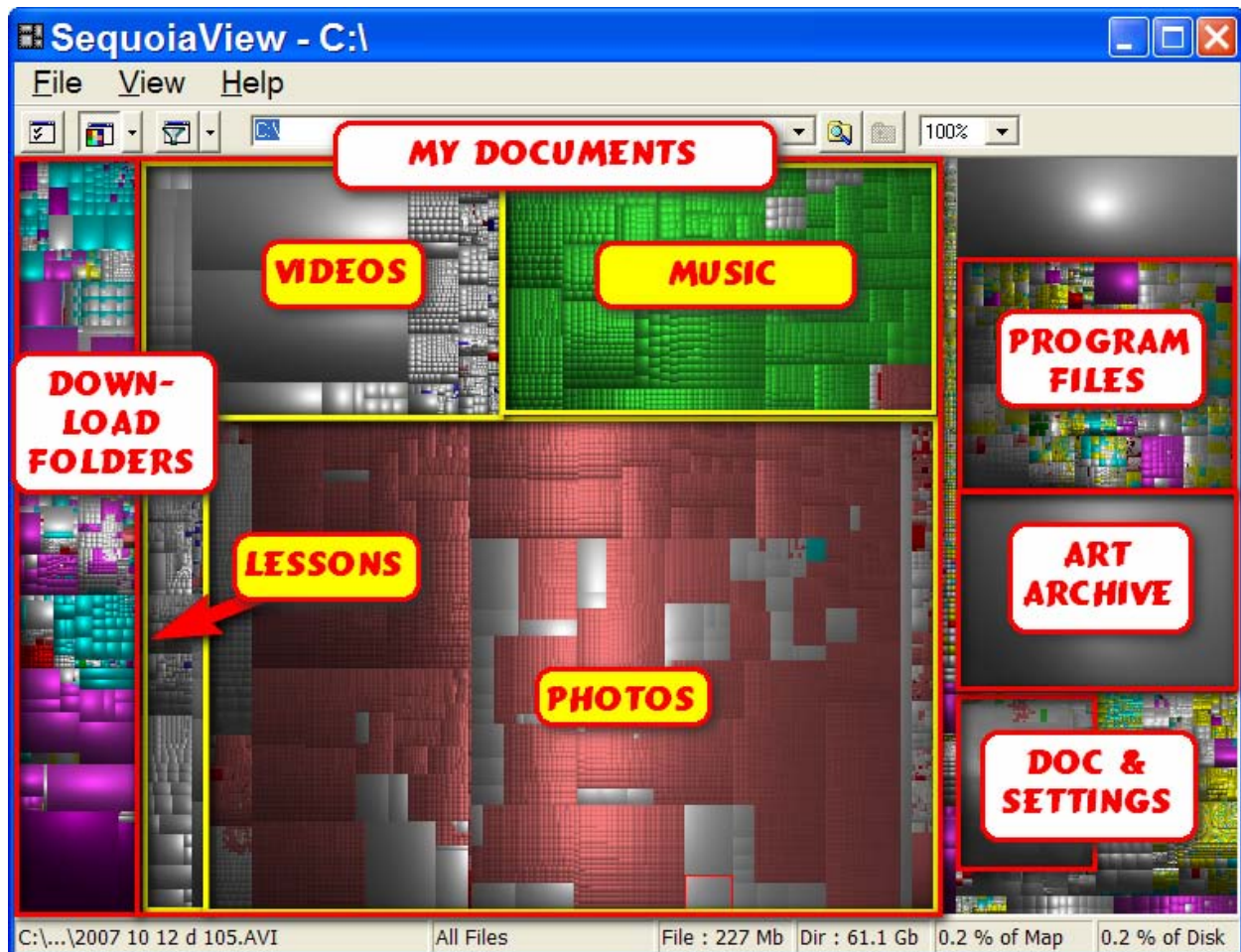
Ensure you select the C drive (red circle in Figure 1).

Move your cursor over any graphic to see what that file is.



Using this program, I could tell quickly how much of my hard drive was taken up with the various programs. I used "FastStone Capture" to draw the illustrated divisions.

It revealed that I had a lot of files in a folder called "C:\Backup" that I had forgotten. By deleting them, I recovered a full 54.1 Gb of space.



SequoiaView can be downloaded for free from <http://tinyurl.com/225p3l>. The file is 500 Kb.

Darry D Eggleston web site at <http://darryd.com>

Web Sites 1

The Free Belarc Advisor builds a detailed profile of your installed software and hardware. (Every one should have a printed copy to show information about your computer when problems arise)

http://www.belarc.com/free_download.html

PrintFolder is a small utility that allows you to print the content of a folder with optional subfolders.

<http://www.snapfiles.com/get/printfolder.html>

TreeSize tells you how your disk space is being used.

<http://www.snapfiles.com/get/treesize.html>

How BIOS (Basic Input/Output System) works.

<http://www.howstuffworks.com/bios.htm>

How Hard Disks Work

<http://computer.howstuffworks.com/hard-disk.htm>

Are you sick of posting URLs in emails only to have it break when sent causing the recipient to have to cut and paste it back together?

<http://tinyurl.com/>

O'Reilly News for User Group Members - November 16, 2007

<http://www.oreillynet.com/oreilly/ug/nov07-newsletter.html>

Microsoft Professional Photography . Also click on the links near top of page

<http://www.microsoft.com/prophoto/default.aspx>

Connect and share anywhere - Windows Live

<http://get.live.com/>

LearnOutLoud.com is your one-stop destination for audio and video learning.

<http://www.learnoutloud.com/Free-Audio-Video#directory>

Today, NPR and twelve (12) public radio partners are launching NPR Music, a free, multi-genre Web site that presents the best of public radio music.

<http://www.npr.org/nprmusic/index.html>

How To Configure and Use Text-to-Speech in Windows XP

<http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;306902&sd=tech>

EveryScape. The real world. Online.

<http://www.everyscape.com/>

Ever need a good excuse? This is the place to go in time of need

<http://www.excuselist.com/>

Web Sites 2

Thank you for visiting Internet Fixes, the location for free online computer support and computer related information.

<http://www.internetfixes.com/>

An informative site covering interesting and factual topics with concise answers to pondering questions.

<http://tellmewhyfacts.blogspot.com/>

Answers.com offers free access to millions of topics from the world's leading publishers.

<http://www.answers.com/>

Welcome to TopTenREVIEWS

Have you ever spent hours online or at the store trying to figure out which product to buy?

<http://www.toptenreviews.com/>

I want a Freeware Utility to ... 450+ common problems solved.

<http://www.econsultant.com/i-want-freeware-utilities/>

Welcome to SportsKnowHow.com!

<http://www.sportsknowhow.com/>

What's makes up an Internet Service Provider (ISP) Data Center?

Hold your left mouse button to move around.

http://order.1and1.com/oneandone_us/img/swf/datacenter/index.html

Welcome to the Encyclopedia Mythica

<http://www.pantheon.org/>

Ten things you never knew about

<http://www.thedigitalbeat.com/10about.html>

SharkBreak was designed to take you away from your crazy and busy life, so that you can enjoy a moment of relaxation.

<http://www.sharkbreak.com/>

Einstein Archives Online

<http://www.alberteinstein.info/>

Theme Park Insider

<http://www.themeparkinsider.com/>

Introducing MojoPac Freedom, the world's first and only FREE desktop virtualization software.

<http://www.mojozac.com/portal/content/hellomojo.jsp>

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. November 13th, 2007
by President Jo Ann Brawner.

Jonathan Lum, Circuit City Representative, talked about the new electronics that will be available for Christmas this year.

Jonathan is very knowledgeable on all phases in the computer field including peripheral equipment.

John answered questions from members on many different topics. He was very thorough and the presentation was enjoyed by all.

Meeting adjourned at 8 pm. Myron Magedanz , Secretary

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